

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 973

## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLLINGSWORTH.

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 574, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to offenses against public order, with penalty provisions.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 574, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 574.095, to read as follows:

**574.095. 1. As used in this section, the term "sports official" means any referee,  
2 umpire or person serving in a similar capacity who:**

**3 (1) Registers with or belongs to a local, regional or national organization which  
4 provides education and training to referees and umpires; or**

**5 (2) Serves as a volunteer.**

**6 2. A person commits the crime of intimidation of an athletic coach, manager or  
7 sports official if he or she violates subsection 1 of section 565.070, RSMo, and the violation  
8 is motivated by the individual's status as an athletic coach, manager or sports official.**

**9 3. Intimidation of an athletic coach, manager or sports official is a class D felony.**